

BULGARS AND
TURKS WILLING
TO QUIT FIGHT

Rome Dispatch Says Bulgaria Has Withdrawn Troops From Albania Owing to Dissension.

ARMY OF 40,000 IS
THROWN INTO GREECE

Occupation of Athens by the Allied Troops Believed to be Imminent — Greek King May Flee.

BERLIN, Jan. 18.—France and England, according to a dispatch from Sofia, have served an ultimatum upon Greece giving that country 48 hours in which to sever diplomatic relations with the central powers and their allies. Failure to comply with the demand, the dispatch adds, will result in necessary measures being taken by the entente allies.

International News Service: LONDON, Jan. 18.—A dispatch from Rome, issued by the wireless press service today, says information has reached the Italian capital from Athens that Bulgarian troops who entered Albania have been withdrawn, owing to dissension between the Bulgarians and the Austro-Germans, and that both Bulgaria and Turkey are inclined to conclude peace with the allies.

International News Service: LONDON, Jan. 18.—England and France have thrown 400,000 troops into Greece, it was estimated today. Although not officially announced, reports are accepted as true that allied forces have been landed at Corfu, Phaleron, Piraeus, Orphenie and Kalava.

A band of steel has been forged around three sides of Greece by the allies, while the fourth side is held by powerful armies of Austro-Hungarians, Germans and Bulgarians.

Occupation of Athens by allied troops is believed to be imminent. Piraeus is only five miles from Athens, being the port of the Greek capital.

King May Leave. Following reports that part of the archives of the government have been removed to Lorisca it was said today that King Constantine is prepared to move the court to Lorisca.

News of the flight of the Greek king from Athens would not cause any surprise here.

Measures of coercion more drastic than any yet contemplated, are being exerted by the allies to force Greece into the war to fulfill her treaty obligations to Serbia.

The German government claims, according to the German wireless agency, that the life of the Greek government hangs in the balance, and that it may be overthrown unless Constantine agrees to enter the war on the side of the entente powers.

A dispatch from Athens states that martial law may be declared this week.

Expect Big Battle.

With the land of Greece under the control of the allies and the waters completely blockaded by the entente war vessels, the next development is expected to be a big battle.

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NEWS FROM EAST
CHEERS GERMANY

International News Service: BERLIN, Jan. 18.—Rejoicing on a scale unknown since the great victory at Tannenberg in 1914 swept the German empire today over the unconditional surrender of Montenegro to Austria-Hungary.

"Montenegro is the first allied country which will be the next to quit" was the universal comment.

The belief is confidently held, that but for the presence of English and French armies in the Balkans, Serbia would have given up the struggle before this.

Emperor William has sent a telegram to Emperor Francis Joseph congratulating him upon the successful conquest of Montenegro.

It is believed that a peace meeting will be held in some Swiss city at which a treaty between Austria and Montenegro will be drawn up.

DROP BOMBS. International News Service: ROME, Jan. 18.—Seven Austrian aeroplanes flew over Ancona yesterday, dropping several bombs. No great property damage was caused, but one man was killed and several injured.

Pays Debt After
40 Years; \$2.25
Increases to \$9

After 40 years a debt of \$2.25, owed to the late Matthew Taggart, has been paid, a money order being received Monday by his son, Homer Taggart of this city. The order called for \$9 which included compound interest on the original debt.

According to Mr. Taggart, the man, who now lives at Servia, Ind., bought a second hand buggy from the elder Taggart at Etna Green, Ind., and paid all but about \$2.25.

About a year ago the man came to South Bend to see Mr. Taggart and offered to pay the money, but was told that he need not as the amount was so small and would have to be divided among several heirs.

On Monday a letter arrived. It contained the money order. The writer said he would feel better if the money was accepted.

MODEL SCHOOL
TO BE ERECTED
ON SAMPLE ST.

One more grade school, the land for which will be purchased within the next few weeks, is to be added to South Bend's 16 grade schools that are now in operation. Work on the building will be started in the spring or in the early part of the summer. It will be built on W. Sample st., near the city limits, where the Sample st. portable schools are now situated.

Five acres of land for the building and other improvements in that section of the city will be bought by the school board, an appropriation for which will be taken up with the city council either at tonight's meeting of the committee of the whole or as soon after as possible. The land is owned by J. D. Oliver.

Will Be One Story. According to present plans the building will be one of the most modern in the United States and will cost between \$75,000 and \$100,000. It will be only one story high, one of the few of its kind in the country. Owing to the new uses that are being put to school buildings, such as community center work, the new structure will be equipped to suit every possible need.

One of the features of the new building, something that no other grade school in the city has, will be a complete gymnasium. This part of the building will be used not only by the pupils at the school for physical training, but for the athletic end of the community center work.

Large Auditorium. A large auditorium will be located in another part of the building. It will be used for special exercises that come during the school year and for civic club and community center meetings.

Complete manual training and domestic science equipment will be installed. Like the gymnasium and auditorium, these departments will be used by the students and people of the district alike. The installation of a regular system of vocational training for adults in the local educational system has made this equipment necessary, according to one of the members of the school board.

The building itself probably will not cover more than a third or a half of the ground that will be purchased, but the remainder will be used for playgrounds, gardens and other things that have come to be necessary around a school building.

Appropriate Name. Some name that is appropriate to an event that has made history in this part of the country will be given to the structure. The Indiana Historical commission, which is in charge of the centennial celebration, has suggested that all public buildings erected in 1916, the 100th anniversary of the admission of Indiana union, be given a name connected with history.

Lafayette or Kankakee has been suggested to the school board as the name for the building. It will be located not far from the headquarters of the Kankakee, in which Lafayette was the first white man to put a canoe.

Visited Other Cities. For the past few months the members of the school board have been investigating school buildings in all parts of the country. One of the members of the board has gone as far east as New York state to look over one of the modern buildings there. Michigan City and Evansville, Ill., have buildings, after which the latest addition to the school city may be patterned.

Several sets of plans have already been received by the board, but none of them has been definitely decided upon by the members. The specifications carry them estimates that vary from \$75,000 to \$100,000. Both the Elder and Muesel schools cost more than these amounts.

MARRIAGE LICENSES. Anton Semeliker, baker; Katarina Ribarita.

AGREEMENT IN
RATE DISPUTE
IS PROBABLE

Attorneys For Two Cities and Electric Company Are in Conference Again This Afternoon.

MATTER NOT BEFORE
STATE COMMISSION

Valuation of Plants Affected is Completed—Experts Did Not Include Growing Value in Report.

International News Service: INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 18.—Attorneys for the cities of South Bend and Elkhart and for the Indiana and Michigan Utility Co., today asked for another postponement before the public service commission that they might prolong their conference and possibly reach some agreement on the electric rate question. The attorneys were granted another day for the conference.

It is thought some agreement will be reached this afternoon. In the meantime the commission has announced the results of several months of labor by its engineers in getting at the valuation of the plants affected in the case. This was the biggest job the commission has ever had on its hands. It was rumored that the reproduction valuations given by the commission about six per cent lower than the ones submitted by engineers in the employ of the company.

The company engineers claim the commission experts did not include the growing value in their report.

The values follow:
South Bend... \$1,870,027 \$1,707,920
Elkhart... 560,391 507,724
Twin Branch... 865,985 732,977
Pine Lake, Roll... 55,840 46,838
Bertien Springs... 560,864 536,883
St. Joseph... 821,648 81,824

The Michigan plants are included in the valuations because they are in the same system and any rate adopted will be used in all these plants.

The reason for the sudden attempt of the utility and city officials interested to compromise is a story worth telling.

Tentative Value Fixed. The tentative valuation of the property of the company has been fixed by the engineers of the commission and it is far below the bonded and other indebtedness of the company, according to information received. The city of South Bend and others supplied by the company are dependent on such extension of service as the company may make, and the company, under the utilities law, is dependent on its own financial condition and what the commission will allow it to issue in the way of securities for whatever extensions it hereafter may make with its indebtedness above its actual value.

Future issue of securities for extension purposes probably would not bring sums close enough to pay to allow the company to make such extensions, it was argued. Therefore a scheme to agree on a compromise rate was urged and thus take the entire matter out of the jurisdiction of the commission for the time being, thus allowing the commission to issue an order approving the compromise rate, was evolved and this was explained to the commission at Monday's hearing.

Believe It For Best. If such a compromise rate is agreed on, it has been the policy of the commission to approve such agreements, thereby wiping out the effect of the commission's tentative valuation in this case until such time as it may be brought up again by some other complainant. That this scheme will insure possibility of extensions in the future and will be for the best interests of the company is the contention of the company.

PANAMA CANAL WILL
BE OPENED ON FEB. 15

International News Service: NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—The Panama canal will be reopened to the largest ships now afloat on Feb. 15. This announcement was made today by Col. E. F. Glenn, U. S. A., upon his return from a six-weeks' visit to the canal zone.

Col. Glenn stated that when he left Panama the American engineers had restored a channel 20 feet deep at all points and the canal officials were confident that all traffic could be resumed in the middle of February.

Court Room Scene at Mohr Murder Trial



ARTHUR CUSHING, MRS. MOHR AND WILLIAM F. CARROLL
Scene in the superior court at Providence, R. I., during the Mohr murder trial. Mrs. Mohr is shown seated at the counsel table with two of her attorneys. At the left is Arthur Cushing and at the right is William F. Carroll.

TWO WOULD-BE
SLAYERS HIDDEN

Father is Determined That His Two Sons Be Kept in Custody.

International News Service: CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—Determined resistance to any effort to secure the release on bail of Irving and Herbert Uplik, pampered sons of Furman D. Uplik, millionaire resident of Oak Park, who so cunningly plotted the murder of their father, mother and sister, seemed likely to be broken today when Atty. George Remus, for the boys, appeared at the Oak Park police station where the boys were held with bail for their trial, only to find that the prisoners could not be located. There was a strong belief that the prisoners were held in the basement of the building, but search of that part of the building was prohibited.

Father Uplik, bitterly convinced that his sons were equally guilty insofar as the death plot is concerned, reiterated his desire that the boys be kept in custody, although he had not asked Chief Lee to hide them.

The chief dropped a hint during the morning that in the event of an attempt to release them on bail, Irving Uplik, elder of the death plotters, might be rushed to the psychopathic court for examination and this lent color to the belief that the boys were being hidden.

It was learned on the authority of Miss L. G. Schmidt, deputy county clerk at Crown Point, Ind., today that a license authorizing Herbert Uplik to wed Miss Nellie De Orsonne, the cabaret artist, had been issued there on Jan. 8 and Miss Schmidt said she was under the impression that they had been married in Crown Point by a justice of the peace. This the singer denies.

In spite of the confession of the boys, their mother stands by them. "It is all a dreadful, horrible mistake," she said today. "I know that everything will work out for the good of all, in spite of what we have heard to go through. It is hard to bear now, but things will come out all right in the end."

Mrs. Uplik, the mother of the two boys, is Mr. Uplik's second wife. The latter is suffering from cancer of the eye and his physicians say his case is hopeless. He appeared at the Oak Park police station today with his head, excepting only one eye, swathed in bandages.

Latest in the News World

BULGARS KILLED. ATHENS, Jan. 18.—Hundreds of Bulgarian soldiers are reported to have been killed and many more wounded by a bombardment of the Bulgarian camp at Petritsi (Petrie) by French aeroplanes.

SUCCEEDS SAMUEL. International News Service: LONDON, Jan. 18.—Joseph A. Fease, former president of the board of education in the Asquith cabinet, was today appointed postmaster general, succeeding Herbert Samuel.

BATTLE IS ON. WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The battle in the senate over the Mexican situation was renewed today. Sen. Lewis of Illinois in response to the wish of the administration, tried to have his resolution authorizing intervention referred to the foreign relations committee. Sen. Borah of Idaho strenuously resisted the move and demanded immediate action by the senate.

In Congress Today

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—House and senate met at noon.

House judiciary committee continued hearings on resolution for impeachment of Dist. Atty. T. Snowden Marshall, of the southern district of New York.

House naval affairs committee continued preparedness hearing with Rear Admiral Stanford on stand.

House military affairs committee continued preparedness hearing with Quartermaster Gen. Aleshire on the stand.

House interstate commerce committee considered minor bills.

House banking and currency committee considered farm land loan bank bill.

Senate rivers and harbors, agriculture, Indian affairs and postoffice committees considered appropriation bills.

Senate insular affairs committee considered bill extending citizenship to citizens of Porto Rico.

Armor plate manufacturers protest to senate naval affairs committee against Tillman armor plate bill.

Senate military affairs committee opens hearings on preparedness.

Rural credits bill considered by senate banking and currency committee.

Senate claims committee takes up numerous claims bills.

Senate continues Philippines debate.

LAND ORDINANCES
TO COME UP TONIGHT

Lively Session of Committee of the Whole Expected—Options Secured.

Indications point to a lengthy and probably stormy session of the committee of the whole of the common council tonight when Mayor Keller's two land purchase ordinances presented last week will be up for consideration. One of the ordinances proposes the buying of the property adjoining the north side of the city hall and the other for the purchase of the Rum Village land.

Mayor Keller has secured 60 day options upon both pieces of property and has offered these to the council for consideration. The property adjoining the city hall can be bought for \$12,000 and the Rum Village land for \$42,000, according to the figures submitted to the council.

WORTH WINNING.

International News Service: NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Six shares of U. S. Steel preferred, valued at \$117 each were awarded to the winners at a bridge party given by Mrs. Elbert H. Gary.

ONE NEGRO IS KILLED

International News Service: HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Jan. 18.—The state authorities today were investigating a race riot that occurred yesterday in Buckville, a small settlement near here, in which one negro was killed and a negro church was burned.

TWO GERMANS TAKEN
FROM AMERICAN SHIP

International News Service: SAVANNAH, Ga., Jan. 18.—The American steamer Isabella, enroute from the Chilean nitrate fields to Savannah, was boarded by British soldiers while lying at Bridgetown, Barbados, and two members of the crew, G. Gussman and F. Sealy, thought to be German citizens, removed, according to statements by Capt. West and officers of the steamer upon their arrival here last night.

A report of the incident has been made to the state department at Washington by Consul Livingston at Bridgetown and affidavits of the captain and officers forwarded upon the arrival of the steamer.

OFFICIAL EXECUTIONER IN
VILLA ARMY SHOT TO DEATH
BY CARRANZA FIRING SQUAD

Col. Miguel Baca-Valles Convicted by Court Martial of Taking Part in Massacre.

Villa is Headed For Casas Grandes

GEN. JOSE RODRIGUEZ
MEETS THE SAME FATE

Bodies of Two Rebels Are Exhibited as Warning That Americans Must be Protected.

International News Service: EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 18.—With his back to a cottonwood tree behind which his hands were tied with heavy rope, Col. Miguel Baca-Valles, official executioner of the Villa army, was shot to death in Juarez by a Carranza firing squad at 5 a. m. today. The execution took place at a point one hundred yards from the National Railway station, where stood a special train filled with American refugees from Mexico which had arrived a few hours earlier.

Col. Baca-Valles was put to death after conviction by a court martial on the charge of having taken part in the massacre of American citizens near Santa Ysabel a week ago Monday.

While Baca-Valles was being executed the body of Gen. Jose Rodriguez, another Villista leader, lay in a freight car nearby awaiting the hour set by the Carranza officials for its exhibition in the Juarez railway station as a warning to all Mexicans that the Carranza must be respected in Mexico. Rodriguez was executed last week near Madera.

Known Death Was Coming. Col. Baca-Valles met his death with a stoicism characteristic of his Indian ancestry. Knowing that he was doomed to death immediately after his arrival in Juarez, he smoked cigarettes incessantly during the night, but the only words he uttered in the hearing of his guards were:

"May God be merciful to me."

In the darkest hour of the morning, just before dawn, Baca-Valles was led out of a water tank station by a squad of 20 Carranza soldiers commanded by Capt. Alejandro Regilio. The prisoner had been under guard at the tank station for five hours.

With the execution squad arrived Col. Baca-Valles rose heavily to his feet, cast away his last cigarette and came out of his prison, but without a word of protest. Two blocks away, on the bank of a muddy irrigation canal, stood a large cottonwood tree. To this marched the firing squad with the prisoner, hands bound, in its center.

Years Court Saver. Through the morning mist electric lights twinkled from the railway station. The air was chill, but the prisoner did not shiver, lacking a coat, he wore instead a grey coat sweater. Once on the short march Baca-Valles stumbled and almost fell, but recovered quickly and looked about him as if to see if any of his guards thought he was weakening.

Arriving at the tree the soldiers bound their prisoner to its trunk by the order of Capt. Regilio, who then stepped up to Baca-Valles and asked if he wished a handkerchief placed over his eyes. The prisoner replied: "No me importa. No soy coharda." (It doesn't matter to me, I'm no coward.)

The handkerchief was left off. As Baca-Valles stood against the tree he faced directly toward the special refugee train from Parral on which were sleeping several scores of American men, women and children who had fled to the frontier as a result of a massacre for which Baca-Valles and Rodriguez paid the penalty with their lives.

Faces Condemned Men. Turning from the prisoner after he had refused to be blindfolded, Capt. Regilio gave a quick order to a member of the firing squad. The soldier unsling his rifle, slipped several shells into the magazine and stepped forward facing the condemned man.

When within an arm's reach the soldier halted and brought his rifle to his shoulder. The muzzle was within six inches of the prisoner's breast and pointed directly to his heart.

"Uno, duo, tres," counted Capt. Regilio slowly. At the word "tres" the soldier pulled the trigger and the Villista officer who is credited with having ordered the killing of more than 700 men while Villa's executioner, crumpled up without a moan. Death was instantaneous.

The corpse was immediately untried and taken on a stretcher to the railway station where it was displayed before a curious crowd during the morning. Later in the day it will be taken with the body of Gen. Rodriguez to Chihuahua City.

The two bodies were exhibited together at Juarez today and the same action will be taken at Chihuahua.

Eight Soldiers Executed. Col. Baca-Valles was captured Saturday near Palamas, Chihuahua, close to the border at Columbus, N. M. His second officer, Lieut. Col. Enrique Cisneros, was also captured, but Cisneros was shot at once. Eight Villista soldiers taken at the time were also executed at the scene of capture.

According to Carranza officials, Baca-Valles took a leading part in the Santa Ysabel massacre and was trying to reach the border when he was captured. He was taken 150 miles from the point where Gen. Rodriguez was captured.

The murder of Albert B. Simmonds of Los Angeles, and Victor Hamilton of Chicago, men of which reached here late yesterday, were charged directly to the Villista forces by Carranza officials. The latter declared they had received information that the soldiers who killed the two Americans were led by the Arrieta brothers, supporters of Villa. The Arrieta troops have been operating to the west of Torreon, in the district in which the Americans were slain.

Carranza soldiers have been sent out to recover the Americans' bodies and hunt down the slayers.

International News Service:

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 18.—Gen. Francisco Villa has gathered his forces south of Madera and is marching northward to attack Casas Grandes, according to dispatches received here early today by American officials, from Chihuahua.

It is believed that, because of recent massacres of Americans by his men, Villa fears pursuit by Carranzistas and therefore is bringing his army of 2,000 men into the mountainous regions of northern Mexico.

Fearing for the safety of more than 350 American Mormon colonists who live in the Casas Grandes district, Bishop P. H. Hurst, head of the Mormon church here, has reiterated the warning sent Friday to colonists and requested them to come to the United States at once. In his message Bishop Hurst repeated the threat made recently by Villa "that he was going to kill every damned Mormon 'gringo' in northern Mexico, if they did not leave before he reached Casas Grandes."

A special train chartered here by high church officials of Salt Lake City is ready to go to Casas Grandes for the Mormons as soon as they declare their willingness to come to the border.

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Refugee Train Arrives. The refugee train from Parral arrived at Juarez at 11:15 a. m. today. The fact that it was nearly two days behind its schedule was explained as due to the facts that Americans from Jimenez, Torreon, Santa Rosalia, and Chihuahua City were taken aboard.

The train brought 72 foreigners, mostly Americans. The Mexican officials would not permit the train to cross into the United States and con-

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WILSON IS AGAINST
SEN. LEWIS' PLAN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The administration seriously is concerned over the recurring reports of additional massacres of Americans in northern Mexico. It is fully realized that continuation of these outrages must for a chance of policy that may involve armed intervention.

The temper of congress is such, the president and Secy of State Lansing have been warned by Sen. Stone and other leaders, that it will not stand for many additional outrages without adopting a resolution calling for action. To forestall this the department today was increasing its efforts to get all Americans out of the danger zone.

The administration has quietly, but plainly told democratic leaders in the senate that it would look with extreme disfavor upon adoption of Sen. Lewis' resolution authorizing the president to use the army and navy to restore order in Mexico.

As a result the Lewis resolution is to be referred to the senate committee on foreign relations. It will either be so amended as to render it harmless enough to satisfy the administration or silently be interred with the other Mexican resolutions introduced and referred to the foreign relations committee since the recent massacre in Chihuahua.